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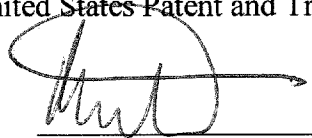
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In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2009, Applicants submit the following response for consideration in the above-identified application.

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